



“Young people are the most important and highly valued as far my role is concerned; they are my learning points and problem solvers in creating and delivering a sustainable project.”

Our Values Champions

Abu Bakarr Samura

Regional Field Officer

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His Restless Story

Abu Bakarr first joined Restless Development in 2007 for a year as a volunteer peer educator, leaving in 2008 to complete his first degree. After intern positions on Dance4Life and a Sexual Reproductive Health programme, Abu joined as a staff member in 2014 on the Peace Building, Education and Advocacy project in the east of the country. He is currently working as the Regional Field Officer for a project focused on strengthening community engagement through cross-sectoral integration support, and was nominated by his peers as Values Champion for Sierra Leone in July.

Which of our Values speaks the most to you?

“To me, the Head value speaks and informs all the other values. We believe that young people are 100% professional and curiosity about performance and results makes the difference from others as we measure our results and use our resources wisely. I like to say “Leadership is never an avenue to be self-serving but, a platform to render great service to people” which I think leads to attributes of the Head value.”



What’s your favourite part of Restless Development...in your job or beyond?

“Working with the young people in communities is my favorite part in my role with Restless Development. It always creates the room to do more in rendering my service to the best of my abilities as design programmes. It also makes me feel a strong sense of belonging and reminds me of the past during my own volunteering era.”

If you could say one thing to your colleagues across Restless Development, what would it be?

“My colleagues staff and volunteers; I have the strong belief that all our dreams can come true if we have the courage to pursue them.”



Listen to what else Abu Bakarr has to say about our Values [here](#).



As part of ongoing celebration of our values, a values champion will be profiled every month. Champions were nominated by their peers and selected based on their commitment to the Values and ideals of Restless Development. To learn more about our values, visit www.restlessdevelopment.org/our-values